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ALLOTMENT OF DEFENCE LANDS FOR COMMERCIAL USE
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry of Defence allots the land under its control to the private parties for commercial purposes;

(b) if so, the rules framed in this regard;

(c) whether some private parties are misusing the land allotted to them; and

(d) if so, the action taken by the Government to check such practices during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (d): The allotment of Defence land to private parties for commercial purposes is permissible under the Cantonment Land Administration Rules 1937. There are some instances where private parties have misused land allotted to them. Whenever instances of misuse come to the notice, action is taken under various statutory provisions of the Cantonments Act and the Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act, 1971.